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Grant Funding Available for Historic Properties Damaged by Hurricane Irma

Applications for grant funding to repair damage to historic properties (listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places) caused by Hurricane Irma in September 2017 are now being accepted by the SC Department of Archives & History. South Carolina was awarded \$1.9 million in federal grant funds from the National Park Service's Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria Emergency Supplemental Grant from the Historic Preservation Fund (HIM ESHPF, CFDA No. 15.957) to assist with repairs. The application deadline is November 7, 2019. The application is available at https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/hurricane-grants.

Owners of historic buildings, structures, objects, and archeological sites in counties designated for Public Assistance (Abbeville, Allendale, Anderson, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Berkeley, Charleston, Colleton, Dorchester, Edgefield, Georgetown, Hampton, Jasper, McCormick, Newberry, Oconee, Pickens, and Saluda counties) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) are eligible to apply for this NPS emergency grant funding. Individuals, corporations, local or state government entities, non-profit organizations, or institutions may apply.

Examples of eligible projects include replacing a leaking roof, repairing the structural framework of a building, and repairing deteriorated doors and windows to make a building watertight. Projects that are **NOT** eligible

include routine building maintenance, climate control systems, plumbing or electrical, repairs to cemetery grave markers, and routine cemetery maintenance. Interior work is not eligible unless it is structural or otherwise repairs historic materials or finishes. All work must meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation. Stabilization projects require a preservation covenant agreement of up to 20 years be recorded with the property deed. Properties receiving grants must be listed in the National Register of Historic Places, or be eligible for listing and have a nomination accepted by SCDAH before final project costs are reimbursed. A cash match is not required.

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact the State Historic Preservation Office before preparing an application: Brad Sauls, bsauls@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6172 or Elizabeth Johnson, ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6168.

State Board of Review Meeting: November 15, 2019

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet on Friday, November 15, 2019 at 10:30 am at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia. The Board will consider the following nominations:

- Gaston Livery Stable, Aiken, Aiken County
- Dianna Brown Antique Shop, Charleston, Charleston County
- Engineering-Management Building, North Charleston, Charleston County
- Piedmont Mill Stores, Piedmont, Greenville County
- Sun Fun Motel, Myrtle Beach, Horry County
- Clinton Commercial Historic District (Boundary Increase), Clinton, Laurens County
- Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, Union, Union County

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. For more information about the State Board of Review visit https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board. Questions? Contact Virginia Harness at vharness@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6179.

Preservation Conference 2020: Call for Session Proposals

The SC Archives and History Foundation and the State Historic Preservation Office are now accepting proposals for education sessions at the 2020 Historic Preservation Conference, to be held **April 17, 2020** at the SC Archives and History Center in Columbia. Education sessions cover a variety of topics, and range in difficulty from "Preservation 101" to advanced discussions of cutting-edge issues. For more details about suggested topics and the proposal process, please see the <u>Call for Proposals</u>. Questions? Please contact Elizabeth Johnson at ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6168. Proposals are due January 13, 2020.

New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The following properties in South Carolina were recently listed in the National Register of Historic Places. For more information about the National Register program visit https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register.

The Robert J. and Lula Ginn House at 106 Webb Street in Anderson was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on September 23, 2019. Built in 1910, the Robert J. and Lula Ginn House is an excellent example of an intact Colonial Revival residence. The building features a hipped roof with intersecting gables over multiple full height polygonal bays topped with massive pediments, massive granite chimneys, and an extensive wraparound porch with sixteen Tuscan columns and entablature. The house has thirty-six large one-over-one double hung sash windows, most with original wavy glass. The house is placed upon a granite rubble stone foundation, and features terracing, flared and graduated cheek-walled stone and concrete entry steps, and capped granite retaining walls along its street and alley elevations. The property also retains one original outbuilding.

The Mosquito Beach Historic District in the vicinity of Charleston, James Island and Folly Beach, Charleston County was listed in the National Register on September 23, 2019. The Mosquito Beach Historic District is a significant and well-preserved cultural, commercial, and recreational epicenter for the coastal black community in the Charleston area during Jim Crow segregation. Outstanding features of the district include its retained viewshed and rural landscape, as well as the survival of midcentury structures representative of the area's recreational peak during the Jim Crow era. The buildings, although simple and vernacular in nature, retain original finishes and detail, and their arrangement within the preserved landscape of Mosquito Beach, as well as the surviving remnants of the boardwalk, still reflect the original intent for the strip: a place of socializing and congregation.

The Mt. Zion Institute High School at 250 N. Walnut Street in Winnsboro, was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on September 30, 2019. The Mt. Zion Institute High School is a complex of three buildings significant for its association with the New Deal and public education in Fairfield County and for its architecture. The main brick school building, built in 1937 by the Public Works Administration and designed by prominent Columbia-based architect James B. Urquhart, consists of a classroom wing, auditorium, and gymnasium. The work was partially funded by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) which supported and supplemented local heritage and architecture during the Great Depression. When built, the new high school was a modern addition to an historic campus that had served the town since the 18th century. The property also includes a late 19th century wood-frame Folk Victorian teacherage as well as a brick, one-story cafeteria, built between 1950 and 1955 on the north side of a since destroyed grammar school.

Holly Springs School at 130 Holly Springs Road in Belton was listed in the National Register on October 7, 2019. It is locally significant as an early example of an African American school in Greenville County. Built ca. 1891, the school is a single-story, one-room, wood-frame building with a double front entrance. The school stands as a symbol of the educational struggle of freed men and women in the late 19th century as they worked to overcome the lingering effects of slavery-era anti-literacy laws and provide their children with education despite the re-enshrinement of white supremacy following Reconstruction. It continued to serve nearby black families until 1951, when Greenville County officials shuttered the school as part of a statewide campaign to equalize, and thereby preserve, segregated education.

The <u>Chapin Commercial Historic District</u> in downtown Chapin in Lexington County was listed in the National Register October 7, 2019. The district occupies the area where the town's historic commercial center first developed in the 1890s and is comprised of twelve contributing buildings and one contributing structure. Most of the contributing buildings originate from two periods associated with local economic growth. From 1901 to 1922, Chapin first boomed as a bustling railroad town, giving rise to a combination of brick and frame buildings

that largely served businesses that were heavily dependent on the railroad's passenger and freight traffic. The Great Depression and the completion of nearby Lake Murray in 1930 severely disrupted the downtown Chapin economy before a period of revitalization finally began in 1940, when tourism traffic to the lake renewed the district and created demand for new town services and more centralized local government. As a result, the period from 1940 through 1969 saw Chapin's downtown revitalized through new, affordable, and mostly functional commercial architecture.

A boundary revision for the Greer Downtown Historic District was also approved on September 30, 2019.

Tax Credit Spotlight

This month's spotlight is Claussen's Bakery in Columbia. The two-story trapezoidal shaped masonry building was constructed in 1928 in the growing Five Points district. The building features variegated brick and diamond-shaped limestone inserts on the south façade, twenty-pane steel framed windows with central hoppers, and a front entry door with sidelights, a three-part glass transom, and an arched hood. The interior of the building was converted to a 29-room hotel in 1987 which included the installation of a two-story lobby, central stair, a fountain, and lofted rooms on the second floor. The rehabilitation of Claussen's Bakery completed in 2019 converted the building to residential apartments. The rehabilitation work included exterior cleaning, restoration of the front entryway, removal of incompatible 1980's renovations, installation of new mechanical systems, and upgrades to the existing bathrooms. The project is seeking federal and state income-producing tax credits with a private investment cost of approximately \$1.69 million.



National Park Service Announces Four Historic Preservation Grant Opportunities

The State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division is now accepting applications for four grant programs through the Historic Preservation Fund:

- \$14.5 million is available in funding for the 2019 African American Civil Rights (AACR) grant program,
- \$8 million for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) grant program,
- \$13 million for the Save America's Treasures (SAT) grant program, and
- \$750,000 for the Underrepresented Communities (URC) grant program.

These competitive grants support a broad range of projects such as survey, documentation, interpretation, and physical preservation. To apply, visit <u>grants.gov</u> and search for the following Funding Opportunity Numbers. Please read the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) under each opportunity number for more details:

<u>P20AS00001</u> - African American Civil Rights (AACR) Preservation Grants

P20AS00002 - African American Civil Rights (AACR) History Grants

Applications for the African American Civil Rights grant program are due on December 3, 2019 by 11:59 PM Eastern.

P20AS00003 - Underrepresented Community (URC) Grants

Applications for the Underrepresented Community grant program are due on December 17, 2019 by 11:59 PM Eastern.

P20AS00004 - Save America's Treasures - Collections

P20AS00005 - Save America's Treasures - Preservation

Applications for the Save America's Treasures grant program are due on December 10, 2019 by 11:59 PM Eastern.

<u>P20AS00007</u> - Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Grant Program

Applications for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities grant program are due on February 4, 2020 by 11:59 PM Fastern.

Questions? Email (preferred) STLPG@nps.gov or call 202-354-2020.

Report Released on Economic Impact of Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit

The National Park Service recently released an <u>economic impact report for FY18</u> for the federal rehabilitation income tax credit for income-producing historic properties. Since the program's inception in 1976, more than 44,000 historic properties throughout the United States have been certified. The tax credit has leveraged over \$162 billion in private investment in historic rehabilitation and generated over 2.7 million jobs. In Fiscal Year 2018, 1,013 completed historic rehabilitation projects were certified, representing \$6.9 billion in estimated rehabilitation costs that qualify for the 20% federal tax credit.

Call for Papers: 8th National Forum on Historic Preservation Policy

The 8th National Forum on Historic Preservation Policy will explore strategies to develop new or revise local historic preservation policies or practices to integrate better historic preservation into the challenges of the 21st century American city. Proposed papers should address how local government historic preservation policies and procedures can be integrated into other local policies and procedures. The Forum will be held in October 9-10, 2020 at Tulane University in New Orleans. More information is online at http://architecture.tulane.edu/event/2019/4203.

Online Encyclopedia from the Society of Architectural Historians

The Society of Architectural Historians and University of Virginia Press recently announced a new open-access, mobile-friendly edition of *SAH Archipedia*, an online encyclopedia of the built environment of the United States at <u>sah-archipedia.org</u>. *SAH Archipedia* contains histories, photographs, and maps for over 20,000 structures and places. It also includes essays and lesson plans for K-12 students.

Roadside America Images on Library of Congress Website

The Library of Congress has digitized the John Margolies Roadside America Photography Archives, a collection of thousands of images of roadside architecture including restaurants, gas stations, motels, signage, and vacation resorts, including South of the Border and other South Carolina locations. Check it out at https://www.loc.gov/rr/print/coll/john-margolies-roadside-america-photograph-archive.html.

Conferences / Workshops / Events

American Cultural Resources Association 25th Annual Meeting, October 24-27, 2019, Spokane, WA. Visit https://www.acra-crm.org/annual-conference-2019 for more information.

Archaeological Society of South Carolina Fall Field Day, October 26, 2019, Cayce. Each fall the Archaeology Society of South Carolina sponsors a free gathering of archaeologists, prehistoric and historic skills demonstrators, story tellers, and others, who present how the people of South Carolina's distant and recent pasts experienced their daily lives through work, play, food, and community. More information about the time, location and exhibitors can be found at https://archaeologysc.org/ and on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/events/2005204562918954/.

Visual Resource Stewardship Conference: Seeking 20/20 Vision for Landscape Futures, October 27-30, 2019, Lemont, IL. More information at http://vrconference.evs.anl.gov/.

Southeastern Archaeological Conference, November 6-9, 2019, Jackson, MS. For more information visit https://www.southeasternarchaeology.org/annual-meeting/details/.

SC Archives & History Foundation 2019 Fall Speaker Series, Columbia. On Tuesday, November 12, Dr. Rodger Stroup will present "Meet Me at the Rocket: A History of the South Carolina State Fair." Each presentation is \$10 per program for the general public and free for SCAHF Members. Pre-registration is recommended. For details and to register visit https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/2019/07/16/fall-speaker-series-2019/.

State Board of Review Meeting for the National Register of Historic Places, November 15, 2019, Columbia. The agenda will be posted in early November at https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board.

Association for Preservation Technology's (APT) Annual Conference, November 19-23, 2019, Miami, FL. Visit https://www.eventscribe.com/2019/APT/.

Society for Historical Archaeology Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, January 8-11, 2020, Boston, MA. For more information visit the conference webpage https://sha.org/conferences/.

National Council on Public History, March 18-21, 2020, Atlanta, GA. More information is available on the NCPH website: https://ncph.org/conference/2020-annual-meeting/.

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NEW December 3, 2019 African American Civil Rights Grants. This federal grant program is administered by the State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division of the National Park Service. Click on the following links to read more about each grant opportunity and how to apply: P20AS00001 - African American Civil Rights (AACR) Preservation Grants, and P20AS00002 - African American Civil Rights (AACR) History Grants.

NEW December 10, 2019 Save America's Treasures Grants. This federal grant program is administered by the State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division of the National Park Service. Click on the following links to read more about each grant opportunity and how to apply: P20AS00004 - Save America's Treasures - Collections, and P20AS00005 - Save America's Treasures - Preservation.

NEW December 17, 2019 Underrepresented Community Grants. This federal grant program is administered by the State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division of the National Park Service. Click on the following link to read more the grant opportunity and how to apply: P20AS00003 - Underrepresented Community (URC) Grants.

NEW January 15, 2020 Humanities CouncilSC Major Grants. Major Grants (\$2000 - \$8000) support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town

settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline. For more information visit http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply or contact tjwallace@schumanities.org.

NEW February 4, 2020 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Grant Program. This federal grant program is administered by the State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division of the National Park Service. Click on the following link to read the grant opportunity notice: P20AS00007 - Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Grant Program.

June 30, 2020 American Battlefield Protection Program Land Acquisition Grants. The National Park Service (NPS) makes available funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to help States and local communities acquire and preserve threatened Revolutionary War, War of 1812, and Civil War Battlefields. The Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants are administered by the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) and awarded through a competitive process. For more information visit https://www.nps.gov/subjects/battlefields/battlefield-land-acquisition-grant-program.htm.

Online sources of grant information:

National Park Service State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division
National Trust for Historic Preservation Special Grant Funds
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SC Grantmakers Network
Federal grants Grants.gov
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